Claims:

1. (Original) A key fob for a vehicle, comprising:

a housing holding a processor and a transmitter; and

plural user-manipulable keys disposed on the housing and sending signals to the processor at least when manipulated, at least some keys being dual-purpose keys, the signals from the dual-purpose keys representing respective tire locations when the key fob is in a first mode, the signals from at least some of the dual-purpose keys representing respective vehicle access commands when the key fob is in a second mode.

2. (Original) The key fob of Claim 1, wherein the dual purpose keys include:

a first key representing a vehicle lock command in the second mode and a first tire location in the first mode; and

a second key representing a vehicle unlock command in the second mode and a second tire location in the first mode.

(Original) The key fob of Claim 2, wherein the dual purpose keys include:

a third key representing a trunk unlock command in the second mode and a third tire location in the first mode; and

a fourth key representing a panic command in the second mode and a fourth tire location in the first mode.

4. (Original) The key fob of Claim 1, comprising a gain amplifier connected to the transmitter, the processor causing the amplifier to establish a first power level of the transmitter in the first mode and a second power level of the transmitter in the second mode, the first power level being less than the second power level.

- 5. (Original) The key fob of Claim 1, wherein the processor changes at least from the second mode to the first mode when at least two keys are manipulated simultaneously.
- 6. (Original) The key fob of Claim 1, wherein the processor changes at least from the first mode to the second mode when at least two keys are manipulated simultaneously.
- 7. (Original) The key fob of Claim 1, wherein the processor changes at least from the first mode to the second mode after the elapse of a predetermined timeout period.
- 8. (Original) The key fob of Claim 1, wherein the first mode is implicitly established by the simultaneous manipulation of two keys.
 - 9. (Currently Amended) A tire training and vehicle command system, comprising:

a key fob transmitting vehicle control signals at least in a first mode and tire location codes at least in a second mode: and

plural dual keys on the key fob and at least one processor supported by the key fob and receiving signals from the keys, wherein the signals from the dual-purpose keys represent a respective tire location when the key fob is in a first mode, and the signals from at least some of the dual-purpose keys represent respective vehicle access commands when the key fob is in a second mode.

- 10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 10Claim 9, wherein

a first key represents a vehicle lock command in the first mode and a first tire location in the second mode; and

a second key represents a vehicle unlock command in the first mode and a second tire location in the second mode.

12. (Original) The system of Claim 11, wherein

a third key represents a trunk unlock command in the first mode and a third tire location

in the second mode; and

a fourth key represents a panic command in the first mode and a fourth tire location in the

second mode.

13. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 10 Claim 9, comprising a gain amplifier

connected to a transmitter in the key fob, the processor causing the amplifier to establish a first power

level of the transmitter in the first mode and a second power level of the transmitter in the second mode,

the first power level being more than the second power level.

14. (Currently Amended) The system of <u>Claim 9 Claim 10</u>, wherein the processor changes at

least from one mode to the other mode when at least two keys are manipulated simultaneously.

15. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 9 Claim 10, wherein the second mode is

implicitly established by the simultaneous reception of signals from two keys.

16. (Currently Amended) A tire training system, comprising:

a lightweight hand held key fob housing;

command input means on the housing for inputting command signals;

processor means for receiving the command signals and determining whether the

command signals are tire training command signals or vehicle control command signals, the processor

means generating codes based thereon; and

transmitter means, connected to the processor means for transmitting the codes received

from the processor means;

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wherein the signals from the dual-purpose keys represent a respective tire location when the key fob is in a first mode, and the signals from at least some of the dual-purpose keys represent respective vehicle access commands when the key fob is in a second mode.

17. (Original) The system of Claim 16, wherein the command input means include plural dual purpose keys, the processor means includes a processor, and the transmitter means includes a wireless transmitter.

18. (Original) The system of Claim 17, wherein

a first key represents a vehicle lock command in a vehicle control mode and a first tire location in a tire pressure sensor training mode; and

a second key represents a vehicle unlock command in the vehicle control mode and a second tire location in the tire pressure sensor training mode.

19. (Original) The system of Claim 17, wherein

a third key represents a trunk unlock command in the vehicle control mode and a third tire location in the tire pressure sensor training mode; and

a fourth key represents a panic command in the vehicle control mode and a fourth tire location in the tire pressure sensor training mode.

- 20. (Original) The system of Claim 17, comprising a gain amplifier connected to the transmitter, the processor causing the amplifier to establish a first power level of the transmitter in the vehicle control mode and a second power level of the transmitter in the tire pressure sensor training mode, the first power level being greater than the second power level.
- 21. (Original) The system of Claim 16, wherein the processor changes at least from one mode to another mode when at least two keys are manipulated simultaneously.